

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Title: SOLUBLE RECEPTORS BR32X2  
AND METHODS OF USING  
Art Unit: 1645  
Examiner: Robert A. Zeman

**SUBMISSION ACCOMPANYING REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION  
(RCE) UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

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Sir:

In response to the final Office action mailed August 18, 2007 (the “Final Office Action”) for the above-identified patent application, Applicants request continued examination of the pending claims and respectfully request that the Examiner consider the remarks below. Submitted herewith are: (1) a Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 together with the requisite fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e); (2) an Information Disclosure Statement; and (3) a copy of each court decision cited below.

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